

Amendments to the Specification:

Please add the following new paragraph on Page 1, above line 1:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 of German Application No. 20 2004 000 526.3 filed January 15, 2004. Applicant also claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §365 of PCT/DE2005/000022 filed January 11, 2005. The international application under PCT article 21(2) was not published in English.--

Page 5, lines 8-14, please amend this paragraph as follows:

--The connector piece is preferably a cable bracket, so that an insulated end of the cable bundle can be connected with the fuse device according to the invention by way of this cable bracket. Other components can also be provided as connector pieces, for example angled profiles or distribution profiles, which have openings for passing through bolts to fix additional cable brackets in place, for example.--

Page 6, lines 1-13, please amend this paragraph as follows:

--Finally, it is preferred, according to a further development of the invention, that it also be provided that a gasket element that surrounds the connector piece is disposed on the latter. This gasket element is particularly required if a plastic to be shaped in a mold is used to produce the seal. The components of the fuse device to be sealed are laid into this mold for casting, pressing, or injecting the plastic. The gasket elements are provided in order to prevent the exit of seal material after the mold has been closed, in the region of the connector pieces that lead out of the mold. In this connection, each gasket element is an O-ring that lies closely against the connector piece. The use of the gasket elements furthermore simplifies the tool structure and therefore reduces the production costs.--

Page 7, lines 11-15, please amend this paragraph as follows:

--In Fig. 1, one connector piece 2 is configured as a flat profile 5 having an opening 6. The other connector piece 3 2 has a configuration as a cable bracket 7. The insulated end of a line bundle 8 is pushed into this cable bracket 7 and fixed in place in the cable bracket 7.--